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THE DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND ELIZABETH NEWTON LEGEYT

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Dear Reader:

Last October, while visiting in Connecticut, I had the privilege of reading the Narrative and Biographical LeGeyt Family History, compiled mostly by Dorothy J. LeGeyt, (Mrs. William Harold LeGeyt). No one knows the amount of time, energy and money she has put into this narrative. With only one copy in existance my suggestion to Dorothy was, "Please keep this narrative in your freezer so it won't be lost in case of fire!" During the winter Dorothy and I tried to get a price on duplicating that our Association could afford. As you can see I worried myself into a job. I hadn't cut a stencil in 30 years and as you note my many errors you can understand why I only made 75 in typing at "dear old Gilbert". I just want to make it clear the errors in typing were not in the original manuscript Dorothy entrusted to me.

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With the original manuscript one may read the History of the Association, Deed to the LeGeyt property, Articles of Association, By Laws and mailing list of all LeGeyts. There is also a short account of the LeGeyt-Dit-Rauvet Family of St. Saviours, Jersey, I copied from a booklet in the Library of Congress. The Historian has compiled a LeGeyt Family Scrapbook and Photo Album, containing newspaper articles, photos, wedding invitations and other valuable LeGeyt memorabilia. We hope that the family members will continue to loan or give these items as they make our history more interesting and complete.

Those of us who know you personally, Dorothy, sincerely thank you for the hours of research you have put into this booklet and for the interest you have in obtaining correct LeGeyt material. This fall I will proudly place the following narrative in the Library of Congress beside the only other book bearing the name, LeGeyt. In a few years, after corrections, additions and changes, perhaps we can have our LeGeyt narrative printed in book form, until then, this is a beginning.

Laura LeGeyt Morrill

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PREFACE

Immediately after the 1956 LeGeyt Family Reunion (always held the second Sunday in August at the LeGeyt Property on Washington Hill), the Historians for the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt, Inc., began an intensive campaign to get as much LeGeyt family history, as possible, in written form. This was begun with the hope that ultimately the genealogy could be duplicated and placed in the possession of several family members so that precious information which up to that time had been handed down from generation to generation by word of mouth could be permantely preserved. There are so many LeGeyts and so many ancestors that the job of obtaining all their vital statistics plus biographical information seemed monumental. Family information sheets were duplicated and a form letter was sent to as many LeGeyts as could be located. On the basis of all the information received, plus visits to family members, the State Library, Town Clerk's Offices, the Library of Congress, and correspondance with the Department of Archives in Nova Scotia, individuals in Canada and London, England, we have been able to compile a family tree and the following biographies. The first draft of both of these manuscipts were completed in time for the 20th Reunion in 1957.

We, the present Historians, hope you will find the following, informative and enlightning, but, after reading it over, please write either one of us concerning any errors, additions or changes which should be made. Remember, this work was written over a period of a few months and therefore, may be quite limited in scope in some instances. As we obtain more information we will duplicate new material each year and add it to this booklet. Please let us hear from you.

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JOHN LEGEYT[1]

Most of our informatiom concerning John LeGeyt[1] is based on stories told us by elders in the family. We have not, as yet, found any written trace of John LeGeyt[1] either on Prince Edward Island, where he is said to have settled with his wife, Elizabeth Newton, nor in England whence he emigrated.

Family reports say that John LeGeyt[1] was born in Gloucestershire, England. Gloucestershire is an area comparable to a county in a state in the United States. Therefore Gloucestershire contains many parishes and towns--we don't know in which of those parishes or towns John LeGeyt[1] was born.

One family report has it that John LeGeyt[2] (John[1]) sold his pony and ran away from Eton or some comparable school in England and made his way to the North American Continent. It is also reported that John LeGeyt[2] made several trips back and forth (from England to North America and vice versa) and that on one of these trips he brought his parents and most of his brothers and sisters from England to North America.

Another family story says that Mary Ann LeGeyt[2] (John[1]) was the first to come to this continent, specifically Nova Scotia, and that the rest of the family followed.

We repeatedly hear that John LeGeyt[1] and his sife settled on Prince Edward Island, Canada, died there and are buried there. So far we have not been able to locate any written record of their supposed stay on Prince Edward Island.

The approximate time at which John LeGeyt[1] is said to have come to this continent is set at between 1815 and 1820.

The following story is told about John LeGeyt[1] while he was in England. It is said that John LeGeyt[1] had white-faced cattle and could not keep 100 in a herd. Each time he bought the 100th, another died.

John LeGeyt[1] and his wife were the parents of 14 children:

1. John LeGeyt (October 6, 1801-November 29, 1881)
2. Henry LeGeyt (1812-June 13, 1901)
3. Louisa LeGeyt (1814-February 8, 1879)
4. Sarah Judith LeGeyt (August 28, 1815-
5. William Edward LeGeyt (December 16, 1819-March 27, 1895)
6. Harriet LeGeyt (1821-June 16, 1911)
7. Mary Ann LeGeyt
8. Charlotte Mathilda LeGeyt
9. Maria Caroline LeGeyt
10. Amelia LeGeyt
11. Newton LeGeyt
12. Elizabeth LeGeyt
13. Melinda LeGeyt
14. Baby LeGeyt (Elders say this child died on the voyage from England to this continent and was buried at sea.)

Family report says that these children were born in Herefordshire or Hertfordshire, England. Again, we have not been able to confirm this information.

Family reports say that John LeGeyt[2] (John) was born in Hertfordshire or Herefordshire, England. His birthdate has been given as October 6, 1801, and his deathdate as either November 29 or 30, 1881. The inscription on his tombstone in Zion Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Conn., reads "John LeGeyt died November 29, 1881 Aged 80 years". His death entry in the Hartford Vital Records reads Nov. 29, 1881, also.

Some elders in the family say that this John LeGeyt[2] was the first LeGeyt to come to this continent after selling his pony and running away from Eton or some similar school in England. They give his age as about 14 at the time of his landing on this continent. The rest of his family is said to have emigrated from England at a later date.

On July 14, 1841, in Warwick, Massachusetts, he married Orinda Kelton (born in Warwick, Mass., June 12, 1812, daughter of James, Jr., and Anna Kelton). Unfortunately there are no records of marriages in Warwick, Mass., for this period so we were not able to obtain any further information about John and Orinda's marriage. Orinda, too, is buried in Zion Hill Cemetery in Hartford, Conn.,(one large tombstone marks the burial of John, Orinda, Mary Jane, and Amy Ann LeGeyt) and the inscription pertaining to her is as follows: "Orinda his wife Died Oct. 9, 1891 Aged 79 years" .

Orinda Kelton was a descendant of Enoch and James Kelton (father and son, respectively) who served in the American Revolution. Their service is recorded as follows: "Massachusetts Revolutionary War Rolls, Volume , Page 37 gives Enoch Kelton of Rehoboth--alarm of December 8, 1776, Service 16 days. The record of Enoch Kelton is found on page 197 of Volume 9 of the Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War" , and "James Kelton, son of Enoch, appears with rank of Corporal on a pay abstract of Captain Samuel Taylor's Company--Colonel Nicholas Dikes' Regiment for mileage dated Roxbury, September 17, 1776, residence Warwick, Massachusetts, Volume 23, page 131."

Orinda Kelton's lineage to Enoch Kelton is traced thus:
"The said Orinda Kelton was the daughter of James Kelton, born February 2, 1782, died July 5, 1852, and his wife, Amy Atherton, born October 28, 1783, died July 14, 1858; married March 16, 1806."

"The said James Kelton was the son of James Kelton, born February 16, 1750, died January 26, 1831, and his wife, Lois Engalls, born February 18, 1750, died August 1, 1816; married, February 4, 1773."

" The said James Kelton was the son of Enoch Kelton, born June 19, 1726, died March 31, 1812, and his wife, Elthear Hicks; married December 23, 1746."

One family member reported to me that Orinda Kelton was a seamstress and had a shop together with her sister.

Shortly after their marriage, John and Orinda moved to Hartford, Conn., where they established the first LeGeyt Homestead, presumably on New Britain Avenue, where all of their children were born.

The Town and City Clerk's Office in Hartford gives the following information concerning an early purchase of property by a LeGeyt in Hartford:

"Volume 75, page 328 records a Warrantee Deed dated March 16, 1848, covering a conveyance from S. and R. Seymour to Orinda LeGeyt of 'a certain piece of land lying in said Hartford with the buildings therein, and bounded north by the highway, east on Jonnot Beardman's land, south on land of Henry Seymour, 2nd, and west on land of Horace Hollister and containing about one acre more or less.'"

"In Volume 77, page 163 there is record of a Warrantee Deed affecting the same parties with an explanation that this second document was executed on account of some supposed informality of the first document in Volume 75, page 328. The document in Volume 77, page 163 also has a clause 'for her sole and separate use and benefit, independent of her husband.' "

The LeGeyt Homestead on New Britain Avenue is said to have burned many years ago--probably at the time James Porter LeGeyt^3 (John^2, John^1) occupied it.

It is said that John LeGeyt^2 was a butcher by trade and that he operated one of the 3 meat markets in Hartford at that time (probably in the 1840's or later). This market was on the corner of State Street.

As far as we know, all the children of John and Orinda were born in the LeGeyt Homestead on New Britain Avenue. These children were:

1. John Edwin LeGeyt (August 3, 1842 - September 17, 1917)
2. Ira Kelton LeGeyt (December 13, 1843 - March 14, 1919)
3. Frances Elizabeth LeGeyt (March 13, 1846 - March 21, 1931)
4. Mary Jane LeGeyt (February 22, 1848 - November 11, 1851)
5. James Porter LeGeyt (June 27, 1850 - April 24, 1917)
6. Frederick William LeGeyt (November 2, 1852 - January 1, 1931)
7. Amy Ann LeGeyt (October 20, 1854 - November 1, 1859)
8. Charles Newton LeGeyt (December 4, 1858 - October 2, 1937)

A tin type photo of John LeGeyt^2 is in the possession of Miss Florence Bishop (Frances Elizabeth LeGeyt^3, John^2, John^1).

HENRY LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

Elders in the family say that Henry LeGeyt^2 was born in either Hertfordshire or Herefordshire, England; his death certificate filed in Plymouth Connecticut, gives his birthplace as London, England. Henry LeGeyt's death occurred on June 13, 1901, in Plymouth, Conn., and he is buried in West Cemetery there. His age at death was 89 years so that would put his birth at 1812.

Henry LeGeyt^2 married Harriet A. Benjamin, who bore him one child, a daughter, Jennie. Church records in Plymouth show that a Harriet LeGeyt joined the church in 1851. He settled in Plymouth, Connecticut, where he was made an elector (voter) in April 1859, and where he purchased two acres of land in the northerly part of town from Elam P. Fenn on March 28, 1848 (Vol. 14, page 337, Plymouth Land Records).

The following article appeared in the Thomaston Express at the time of Henry LeGeyt's death: "Plymouth, Ct., June 13, 1901. Henry N. LeGeyt, who died at his home on Thursday morning, came here about 65 years ago from Prince Edward Island. He was a seafaring man and was born in London in 1812. He made frequent mention in public and private of the help he rendered in raising the Thomaston Congregational meeting house in 1837, being first to mount the ridge pole and adjust the rafters. He also assisted at raising the Meeting House in the Center in 1838. He was later employed by Cooley, Bradley & Co., carriage manufacturers here, as blacksmith helper to George A. Smith. These two men having plenty of muscle and endurance, turned out a large amount of work; and he was for many years thus employed. During these years he married, bought the place in North district now owned by Mrs. Melvina Atwood. Here his only child was born, who married Clinton O. Scoville, adopted son of Harry Scoville and is in Fitchburg, Mass. Family lived for some time on a Scoville farm where McDermitt is now, after the carriage business stopped. After the death of Mrs. LeGeyt and the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Scoville to Fitchburg, he sold that farm and bought the place on Main Street, Plymouth, where he died. Two years ago, Norman J. Wedd and wife came to care for him the rest of his life and his last days may have been his best days. It is some years since he passed the four-score mark. He was one of the oldest living members of Congregational Church, uniting with it in 1838. Funeral on Saturday at 2."

In March of 1958, Mr. Norman J. Webb, who now resides in California, gave the following information about Henry LeGeyt to Mrs. Dorothy J. LeGeyt;

Mr. Webb paid Henry LeGeyt $100 cash to make the transfer of the Main Street, Plymouth, property from LeGeyt to Webb legal. Mr. Webb received a proper deed to the property, agreed to care for Henry LeGeyt for life, give him burial and erect a stone at his grave.

Henry LeGeyt was a farmer when Mr. Webb met him. The Webbs cared for Mr. LeGeyt for three years. Mr. LeGeyt had a small income from renting part of the house, which had 14 rooms. While on his farm in Plymouth, he made vinegar and sold it locally.

LOUISA LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

Born in England about 1814, Louisa LeGeyt^2 settled in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, sometime before 1863, never married, and died on High Street there on February 8, 1879, at the age of 65 years. She was buried in Laurel Hill Cemetery in Fitchburg. It is interesting to note that her parents' names on her death certificate are given as John LeGeyt and Elizabeth Taylor.

At the same time that Louisa's brother, William Edward LeGeyt, recorded his family in Christ Church Records in Fitchburg, Mass., on April 5, 1863, (first service held Dec. 7, 1862) Louisa's name was also recorded. Their address at that time was given as Turnpike Road, W. Fitchburg, Mass.

SARAH JUDITH LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

The Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah, has recorded in Book B, page 10, the following:

"Sarah Judith LeGeyt
Born: 28th August 1815
Withington, Gloucester, England
Father: John LeGeyt
Mother: Elizabeth
Joined the L. D. S. Church by Baptism, 22 April 1848.
Record filed at Endowment House, Salt Lake City, 4 September 1855"

They also provide the following record of Sarah's husband:

Book B, page 10 "Robert Hamil Porter
Born: 23 November 1819
Salt Point, Onondague County, New York
Father: William Porter
Baptized in L. D. S. Church, 22 April 1848"

Book A1, page 144 "Robert H. P. Potter
Born: 23 November 1822
W. Syracuse, Onondago County, New York"

In another record "Robert Hamil Porter
Born: 23 November 1820
Avon, Livingston County, New York

In still another record "Robert Hanry Porter
Born: 23 November 1817
Monroe, Livingston County, New York"

When Eva Lila LeGeyt, Stella Tatro and Florence Bishop were travelling in the Middle West, they saw a street labelled "LeGeyt Avenue" but do not remember now where it was.

WILLIAM EDWARD LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

Family elders believe that William Edward LeGeyt^2 was born in Hertfordshire or Herefordshire, England. His marriage certificate gives his birthplace as Henfordshire, England, (perhaps a misreading of Herefordshire), while his death certificate as well as the records of the births of his children give his birthplace as England. From his age at death, 76 yrs. 3 mos. and 11 days, on March 27, 1895, we calculate his birthdate at about December 16, 1819. The death certificate gives his parents' names as John LeGeyt and Elizabeth Taylor while his marriage certificate gives only his father's name, John LeGeyt.

On August 13, 1857, in Wareham, Massachusetts, William Edward LeGeyt was married to Mary Ann Duffee by Lawton Cady, Clergyman. From the marriage certificate we get the information that the bride was a resident of Wareham, "at home", and that she was born in Pictou, Nova Scotia, the daughter of James Duffee. This certificate also tells that the groom was a resident of Wareham and that he was a farmer.

On July 5, 1858, their first child, William Harmond Warren LeGeyt, was born in Fitchburg. The records of the births of four more of their children, Charles Edwin, Anna Louisa, Frances Eva, and Marietta, were found in Fitchburg by the Vital Statistics Clerk. This would indicate that the parents settled in Fitchburg between 1857 and 1858.

Eva Lila LeGeyt, granddaughter of William E. and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt, says that her grandfather was friendly with some of the Crockers of the Crocker-Burbank Paper Mills and that the Crockers were from England. Perhaps this friendship had something to do with William E. LeGeyt's decision to settle in Fitchburg. Also, Eva thinks the Crockers or the Paper Mills had water rights across some of William E. LeGeyt's land.

William Edward LeGeyt[2] recorded his family as follows in Christ Church Records in Fitchburg, Mass., April 5, 1863:

William E. LeGeyt	His two sisters:
Mary Ann Duffee	Louisa LeGeyt
William Warren	Harriet LeGeyt
Charles Edward	
Anna Louisa	

Their address was given as Turnpike Road, W. Fitchburg, Mass.

In the first Church Baptismal held March 15, 1863(?) the following were recorded:

Frances Eva LeGeyt
Emma Paulina LeGeyt
Mary Lillian LeGeyt
Hattie Elizabeth LeGeyt

In a later Confirmation Record of April 24, 1879, these were recorded:

Warren William LeGeyt
Charles E. LeGeyt
Anna Louisa LeGeyt

Marietta LeGeyt was born in West Fitchburg, Mass.; all the other children were born in Fitchburg.

The residences of William Edward LeGeyt and those of his son and daughter-in-law, Charles E. and Della (Flagg) LeGeyt, at the times of their deaths are given as Princeston Road, Fitchburg. We have reason to believe that this property was sold by Madeline LeGeyt Carpenter, granddaughter of William E. and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt, in about 1940.

A complete list of the children of William Edward and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt follows.

1. William Hammond Warren LeGeyt (July 5, 1858-December 31, 1939)
2. Charles Edwin LeGeyt (December 7, 1859-January 2, 1928)
3. Anna Louisa LeGeyt (August 15, 1862-
4. Frances Eva LeGeyt (March 17, 1864-
5. Pauline Emma LeGeyt (December 1, 1867-
6. Marietta LeGeyt (March 9, 1870-
7. Lillian Mary LeGeyt (March 9, 1873-December 7, 1942)
8. Hattie Elizabeth LeGeyt (January 18, 1876-December 1928)

Eva Lila LeGeyt has William Edward LeGeyt's lapdeck and the large photos of William Edward and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt.

HARRIET LEGEYT[2] (John[1])

Harriet LeGeyt's birthplace is given as England on her death certificate. Her age at death was 90 years and date of death, June 16, 1911. This would put her birth at about 1821. Harriet LeGeyt passed away at the Old Ladies Home at 14 Cedar Street, Fitchburg, Mass.

She, too, was recorded in Christ Church Records on April 5, 1863; and her address at that time was Turnpike Road, W. Fitchburg.

Harriet's parents' names on her death record are also given as John LeGeyt and Elizabeth Taylor.

MARY ANN LEGEYT[2] (John[1])

One family story says that Mary Ann LeGeyt[2] was older than her brother William Edward LeGeyt[2] and that she settled on Prince Edward Island and married there before her brothers and sisters and parents came to this continent. However, we have not located any information about her on Prince Edward Island; instead we found that she lived in Halifax, Nova Scotia, that her son Newton Legayet MacKay was born there, and that she and her husband, William MacKay, are probably buried in the Old Presbyterian Cemetery in Halifax.

Through information gathered concerning her son Newton Legayet MacKay, we learned that Mary Ann LeGeyt married a William MacKay, Civil Engineer, from Halifax, N.S.

The William MacKays had three children that we know of:

1. Newton Legayet MacKay (1838-May 20, 1886)
2. Barton MacKay
3. Sabrina or Czarina MacKay

Newton Legayet MacKay gives his mother's first name as Marion on the certificate of his second marriage.

The Public Archives in Halifax, Nova Scotia, sent the following information concerning a William MacKay, whom we believe was the husband of Mary Ann or Marion LeGeyt.

> "William MacKay, surveyor, published The Memorandum Book on Land Surveying in London in 1836. He was born in Pictou, Nova Scotia, and was the author of the Map of the Province of Nova Scotia Including the Island of Cape Breton published in London, Edinburgh and Halifax in 1834...The father of the William MacKay who prepared the map of Nova Scotia was William MacKay, who settled at East River and became a Justice of the Peace."

We were also supplied with the following material concerning Newton Legayet MacKay, son of Mary Ann or Marion LeGeyt and William MacKay.

From the Canadian Parliamentary Companion and Annual Register for 1878 comes this:

"MacKay, Newton Legayet, Q. C.[a] (Cape Breton) Of Scottish descent. Son of the late William MacKay, Esq., C. E.[b] A native of Halifax, N.S. Educated at Dalhousie College in that city. Married Kate, eldest daughter of the late Edward C. Brown, Esq. of Halifax, (She died Oct. 15, 1874). Called to the bar, N.S. 1859. Created a Q. C., 1872. Is County Treasurer for Cape Breton. An unsuccessful Candidate for Cape Breton in N.S. Assembly at general election, 1867; and at general election, 1871. First returned to Parliament at general election, 1872; re-elected at last general election. A supporter of the Reform party since the Pacific Railway disclosures. Residence: "Rockaway", near Sydney, Cape Breton."

The Morning Herald (Halifax, Nova Scotia) of May 21, 1886, carried this account of his death.

A TERRIBLY SUDDEN CALL
NEWTON L. MACKAY, Q. C., DROPS DEAD ON
THE STREETS OF SYDNEY C. B.

"Sydney, May 20-Newton L. McKay, Q. C., ex M. P.,[c] dropped dead on the street at one o'clock today. He was coming from the court house after attending a meeting of the committee on the proposed Cape Breton separation. He complained during the morning of a slight pain in the head and chest, but was otherwise in apparently good health and spirits. While walking and talking with friends the dread messenger came. The suddenness of the call has appalled the community. Much sympathy is expressed for the wife and family."

In another section of the same newspaper we can read:

"Newton Legayet Mackay was born in Halifax about 54 years ago, the son of the late William McKay, C. E. He was educated at Dalhousie College, studied law and was called to the bar in 1859. He removed to Sydney shortly afterwards and settled there. He married twice, first to a daughter of the late Edward C. Brown, who died in 1874, and secondly a daughter of Mr. McKenzie, the late collector of customs of Sherbrooke, (and was thus a brother-in-law of Dr. Falconer, of Sherbrooke, and Dr. McGillivray, of Sydney.) Mr. McKay contested the county of Cape Breton eight times, six of which he was successful, viz: 1867, 1871, 1878, 1879, 1882 and 1884. He was elected in 1872 and re-elected in 1874. He has taken a leading part in the local affairs of Cape Breton.

[a] Q.C. is the abbreviation for Queen's Counsel
[b] C. E. is the abbreviation for Civil Engineer
[c] M. P. stands for Member of Parliament

In 1872 he was appointed Q. C. Mr. McKay was in Halifax only a few days ago. He was taking a leading part in the agitation for the separation of Cape Breton and its erection into a separate province of Canada."

The inscription on his tombstone in the Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Cemetery reads:

NEWTON L. MACKAY
BORN AT HALIFAX 1838
ADMITTED TO THE BAR OF NOVA SCOTIA
ELECTED TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS 1872
DIED IN SYDNEY MAY 20, 1886
AGED 48 YEARS

And on the reverse side:

ERECTED BY HIS FRIENDS & ADMIRERS

Eva Lila LeGeyt has an afghan from the MacKay Estate;

CHARLOTTE MATHILDA LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

In the Index to the Vital Records in the Connecticut State Library in Hartford, Connecticut, we found the following entry:

"LeGeyt, Charlotte M.
of Fitchburg, Mass., m James E. Strong
Nov. 25, 1844, by Rev. John Moore
Hartford Vital Records, Volume 1, Page 203

MARIA CAROLINE LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

The Index to the Vital Records in the Conn. State Library at Hartford, Conn., contains the following reference:

"LeGeyt, Maria C.
m John Howe, June 5, 1842 by Rev. J. Sewal Eaton
Hartford Vital Records, Volume 1, Page 182."

AMELIA LEGEYT^2 (John^1)

Again in the Index to the Vital Records in the Connecticut State Library in Hartford bear this reference:

"Legeyt, Amelia
of Hartford, m Joseph E. Story of Fitzbury, Mass.
Hartford Vital Records, Volume 1, Page 179."

JOHN EDWIN LEGEYT^3 (John^2, John^1)

John Edwin LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Connecticut, August 3, 1842, first son and child of John and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt.

His occupation was listed as a butcher and farmer while he lived in Meadow Plain, Simsbury, and in Avon (1878). He learned his trade as butcher at Sisson's Market on Main Street in Hartford, Connecticut. This market was near the bridge below the new Hartford Public Library. It is said that he left from there when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy on September 2, 1862.

He served as a landsman on the U.S. Steamer and Gunboat Genesee that went up the Mississippi River under Admiral Farragut. He took part in the attack of batteries at Port Hudson, Louisiana, on March 4, 1863 and the siege of Port Hudson during the summer of 1863. Port Hudson surrendered a few days after July 4, 1863. John Edwin LeGeyt was discharged on September 28, 1863; and his daughter, Inez Lucy LeGeyt, says his discharge papers were signed by Captain Edward C. Grafton.

J. E. LeGeyt was working on Mountain Road in Bloomfield, Conn., when he met Lucy Ann Raynesford, (June 13, 1850 - April 24, 1931), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Raynesford. John and Lucy were married May 25, 1869 at Stanley Quarter in New Britain, Conn., at the home of Lucy's parents by the Rev. Mr. Walker, Congregational Minister (?). Lucy, at the time of her death, was a member of the Avon Congregational Church.

The couple lived first in Meadow Plain, Simsbury, then in Avon (1878), and moved to Hartford in September of 1900--it was in Hartford that J. E. LeGeyt was a cattle dealer and later retired.

John Edwin LeGeyt and his wife, Lucy, were the parents of six children.

1. John William LeGeyt (August 25, 1870 - February 28, 1925)
2. Chauncey Edwin LeGeyt (April 16, 1873 - July 4, 1874)
3. Frank Willard LeGeyt (June 6, 1876 - June 2, 1954)
4. Blanche Mary LeGeyt (October 26, 1878 -
5. Harry Wesley LeGeyt (February 18, 1884 - June 30, 1942)
6. Inez Lucy LeGeyt (December 8, 1890 -

John William, Chauncey, Frank and Blanche were born in Weatogue, Simsbury, Conn.; Harry and Inez were born in Avon, Conn.

On March 15, 1916, John Edwin LeGeyt conveyed about 7 acres of Avon property to Robert L. Rayner. This parcel and the one conveyed to Rayner by Ira K. LeGeyt, Sr., were included in a later conveyance by Rayner to Mrs. Theodate Pope Riddle, founder of the Avon Old Farms School.

J. E. LeGeyt died on September 17, 1917, at the age of 75 years and was buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery (Section 18), Hartford, Conn.

His daughter, Inez Lucy LeGeyt, has a photo of her father taken at the time he conveyed the land to Rayner (subsequently to Avon Old Farms), his discharge paper, and some letters written to him by members of the family while he was in the U.S. Navy, and his G.A.R. pin.

Mrs J. W. LeGeyt, his daughter-in-law, has a pair of buttons from his navy uniform.

John Edwin LeGeyt had the distinction of being the only LeGeyt we know of who took part in the War of the Rebellion (1861-1865).

IRA KELTON LEGEYT[3] (John[2], John[1])

Ira Kelton LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Connecticut, on December 13, 1843, the second son and child of John and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt.

He was a farmer and had a farm on the corner of Avon Old Farms Road and Waterville Road in Avon. No buildings stand there now.

He married Sarah Edith Ellen Root who was born in Clinton orSaybrook, Conn., on March 3, 1873. Sarah's father is buried in the Soldiers' Cemetery in East Hartford, Conn., and her mother's name was Edith Root. Sarah passed away on September 21, 1929.

The couple had six children:

1. Diane Melissa LeGeyt (March , 1888- 1905) killed in fuse factory blast in Avon, Connecticut.
2. Florence Ethel LeGeyt born in West Simsbury, Conn. (April 24, 1889-August , 1953)
3. Irene Melinda LeGeyt, born in Farmington, Conn., (April 27, 1897-
4. Alvin Atherton LeGeyt, born on farm at the corner of Avon Old Farms Road and Waterville Road in Avon Conn. (December 1, 1902-
5. Ira Kelton LeGeyt, Jr. a twin to Alvin (December 1, 1902-
6. Bertha Hazel LeGeyt, also born on farm in Avon (March 4, 1906-

Ira Newton LeGeyt says that Ira Kelton LeGeyt, Sr. was a caretaker of the West Hartford Reservoir for some time. Ira K's mother, Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt, died at his home there (Farmington) in 1891; and later Ira K. bought another place (the old Pinny Place where Irene was born) near the Reservoir. The Water Bureau bought this land so Ira bought another place in the Cider Brook district of Avon in 1898.

Irene Melinda LeGeyt Skinner reports that she believes her parents belonged to the Congregational Church in Farmington.

On March 27, 1916 Ira Kelton LeGeyt conveyed property in Avon containing approximately 5 acres to Robert L. Rayner. This parcel and one John Edwin LeGeyt conveyed to Rayner were included in a later conveyance by Rayner to Mrs. Theodate Pope Riddle, the founder of the Avon Old Farms School.

Ira Kelton LeGeyt died on March 14, 1919, and both he and his wife were buried in Cider Brook Cemetery, Avon, Connecticut.

FRANCES ELIZABETH LEGEYT[3] (John[2], John[1])

The only daughter who lived to adulthood was born to John and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt in Hartford, Conn., on March 13, 1846.

She lived in Simsbury and did housework before her marriage to Stewart Bishop on December 27, 1876. Stewart Bishop was born in Avon Conn., on May 20, 1851, and lived there all his life. He was a farmer and died on March 21, 1932.

Frances Elizabeth LeGeyt and Stewart Bishop were the parents of five children.

1. Minnie Louise Bishop (October 19, 1868- October 17, 1951)
2. Frank Lucius Bishop (August 29, 1877-October 5, 1929)
3. Florence Elizabeth Bishop (September 19, 1881-
4. Stella Amy Bishop (June 14, 1883-
5. Viola Sarah Bishop (July 23, 1885-December 2, 1932)

Frances Elizabeth died in Avon on March 21, 1931; Stewart died March 21, 1932, and they are both buried at the Cider Brook Cemetery in Avon.

This couple celebrated the Golden (50th) Wedding Anniversary on Dec. 27, 1926. An invitation to this celebration can be found in the LeGeyt Association Scrapbook.

JAMES PORTER LEGEYT[3] (John[2], John [1])

James Porter LeGeyt was born on June 27, 1850, at the rear of Broad Street and New Britain Avenue, Hartford, Conn., although 1858 is given as his birth year on his tombstone. The house at the rear of Broad Street and New Britain Avenue used to be the LeGeyt Homestead, and the story goes that James Porter LeGeyt and his son, James William LeGeyt, were born in the same room of this house.

He evidently was a versatile man for one report says that he had a hack business in Hartford, another that he was a butcher, and another that he painted the gold leaf trim at the Colt home. Still another story says that he was a boss teamster and ran a business with teamsters under him. It has been said that he had one of the finest pairs of horses in Hartford called Bell and Noll.

He is described as being over 6 feet tall and having strawberry blonde hair. His portrait in the possession of the LeGeyt Association bears this out.

On October 24, 1873, he married Martha Mathilda George, born July 12, 1851, although it says 1852 on the tombstone. She was the daughter of Henry and Margaret (Kearns) George, the latter born in Tipperary, Ireland. Martha died on December 9, 1915. Her family was said to have been proprietors of George's Express, and reports have it that George Street in Hartford is named for Martha's family.

James Porter and Martha Mathilda (George) LeGeyt were the parents of eight children.

1. George Henry LeGeyt (July 13, 1874-February 28, 1956)
2. James William LeGeyt (September 7, 1876-November 11, 1926)
3. Arthur Garfield LeGeyt (February 6, 1881-January 15, 1937)
4. John Edward LeGeyt (May 11, 1882-March 17, 1939)
5. Harold Stuart LeGeyt (January 1884-died in infancy)
6. Mattie Belle LeGeyt (August 23, 1886-November 13, 1957)
7. Markus Muncie LeGeyt (December 28, 1890-died in infancy)
8. Raymond Stanley LeGeyt (March 28, 1892-May 27, 1934)

The story goes that the LeGeyts had holdings from Adelaide Street to Wethersfield Avenue, and that the house and barn on the corner of George

and Preston Streets were built by James Porter LeGeyt and his sons from brick salvaged from the Old Hartford Public High School, which had burned.

Ira Newton LeGeyt says that James Porter LeGeyt had a pasture on what is now South Green in Hartford and owned three acres on Preston Street.

Theresa Marie (LeGeyt) Powers, granddaughter of James Porter LeGeyt, remembers reading in the " Fifty Years ago" or "Twenty-Five Years Ago" column of one the Hartford newspapers some years ago an item of which the following is the gist: James Porter LeGeyt's house burned (It is asssumed that this house was on New Britain Avenue), and he was so grateful for the help neighbors had given him and his family in time of disaster that he took the neighbors' children for a sleigh or hay ride.

James Porter and Martha M. (George) LeGeyt lived in Granby for a while after their marriage. They later moved to Hartford. Their first child, George Henry, was born in Granby.

James Porter LeGeyt died on April 24, 1918, and both he and his wife are buried in Zion Hill Cemetery in Hartford.

FREDERICK WILLIAM LEGEYT[3] (John[2], John[1])

The LeGeyt Homestead on New Britain Avenue in Hartford, Conn., was the birthplace of Frederick William LeGeyt on November 2, 1852.

For many years he was a coachman for a Colonel Kennedy who had a large home in the Zion Hill-Broad Street area of Hartford. He also did some painting and farming and for seven years was a uniformed caretaker at the Morgan Memorial in Hartford. In about 1925 he retired because of ill health.

On September 28, 1878, at Hartford, he married Delia Elizabeth Higginbotham, born in Sheffield, England, (April 1, 1852-December 9, 1931) and who came to this country as a young girl.

Eight children were born to this couple.

1. Mary Elizabeth LeGeyt, born in Hartford, Conn.,(March 26, 1880-May 18, 1958)
2. Frederick Newton LeGeyt, born in Hartford, Conn. (August 19, 1881-
3. John William LeGeyt, Born in Hartford (January 29, 1883-
4. Frances Orinda LeGeyt, born in Barkhamsted, Conn., (June 23,1884-
5. Annie Louise LeGeyt, born in Hartford (December 2, -1885-
6. Charles LeGeyt, born in Hartford (June 7, 1887-July 14, 1887)
7. Edwin Joseph LeGeyt, born in Hartford (August 1, 1889-
8. Clarence Henry LeGeyt, born in Windsor, Conn., (June 8, 1892-May 17, 1947)

Frederick and Delia celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 28, 1928, while living in Windsor, Conn. The LeGeyt Association Scrapbook contains a newspaper clipping and photo which appeared concerning their anniversary.

Frederrick William LeGeyt and his brother Charles Newton came from Hartford to Barkhamsted, Conn., where they purchased 160 acres of land and the buildings theron on April 12, 1883. Each put in $100 as a dowmpayment toward the purchase price of $1500; and their mother, Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt, contributed 5 or 6 cows.

The house included in this original purchase still stands on Route 179 in Barkhamsted and is known as the Home Place.

Frederick William kept his job in Hartford all the while he owned one-half of the farm in Barkhamsted. He would come out to Barkhamsted on week ends. His wife and children lived for a time in the upstairs of the Home Place.

In 1890 Frederick William deeded his half of the Barkhamsted farm to his brother Charles Newton. It was at about this time that the Frederick William LeGeyts moved to Windsor where they resided for the remainder of their lives.

F. W. LeGeyt died on January 1, 1931, in Windsor, Conn., and was buried in the Palisado Avenue Cemetery in that town.

CHARLES NEWTON LEGEYT^3 (John^2, John^1)

Charles Newton LeGeyt was also born at the LeGeyt Homestead on New Britain Avenue, Hartford, Conn. His birth occurred on December 4, 1858--thus he was the youngest child of John and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt.

Charles Newton, his brothers and sisters, and parents later lived for a time on a farm now referred to as the "Shields Place" in Simsbury. Ownership of this farm rested, we think, in John and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt. The property was lost due to default in payment.

Together with his brother Frederick William, Charles Newton purchased what is called the Home Place on Route 179 in Barkhamsted, Conn., on April 12, 1883. The land consisted of 160 acres, and the purchase price is given as $1500. Ira Newton LeGeyt, son of Charles Newton LeGeyt, says that Frederick William and Charles Newton each paid $100 for the property, mortaged the rest (with John Edwin LeGeyt and Stewart Bishop, we think) and Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt contributed 5 or 6 cows to the venture.

Ira Newton LeGeyt has a photo of the Home Place taken in about 1886 which shows the front of the house with Orinda (Kelton) LeGeyt seated in front of it flanked by certain of her sons.

Charles Newton LeGeyt married on February 22, 1886, at the Parsonage of the present Barkhamsted Center Church, Ellen Ida Slade (October 11, 1866-February 3, 1942), daughter of Nelson and Julia M. (Reynolds) Slade of Center Hill, Barkhamsted. They were married by Rev. Joseph B. Clarke, and their marriage certificate is in the possession of the Ira Newton LeGeyts. Ellen was a native of Barkhamsted.

Ellen Ida Slade's great-greatgrandfather, James Slade, served in the American Revolution and settled in Barkhamsted in about 1795. His descendants have resided in Barkhamsted since that time.

At the time of her marriage to Charles Newton LeGeyt, Ellen Ida Slade was doing housework for the William Paynes (their home was just south of the Home Place) for which work she earned 50 cents a week.

All of this couple's children were born at the Home Place.

1. Ira Newton LeGeyt (November 29, 1886-
2. Charles Howard LeGeyt (October 1, 1889-October 8, 1949)

3. Clinton Saben LeGeyt (December 22, 1891-February 4, 1937)
4. Judson Henry LeGeyt (May 8, 1895-
5. Albert Nelson LeGeyt (August 24, 1898-
6. Theodore Kelton LeGeyt (December 29, 1901-

The Home Place was built in about 1858, and at the time the Charles N. LeGeyts owned it, there were many buildings adjacent to the house as was typical of farmsteads of that time. A cow barn, horse barn, blacksmith shop, cider mill (north of the house), sheep barn, and up-and-down sawmill were all standing and in use at the time of Charles Newton LeGeyt's marriage. None of these outbuildings now stand.

C. N. LeGeyt had built for his use a slaughter house which had a section equipped with hooks for hanging meat for aging and space between the walls for about 300 pounds of ice for cooling purposes.

The dug well was under the kitchen floor of the house--Ira Newton LeGeyt can remember falling down this well when he was a little boy and being rescued by his father.

Charles Newton LeGeyt earned a living for his family by selling cider (it brought $3.00 a barrel when Ira Newton LeGeyt was a youngster) and apples, by butchering calves and cattle and selling the meat, by dealing in cattle, and by selling butter. He used to butcher on Mondays and take the cider, meat and butter, and any produce which his neighbors might wish to have him sell for them, to Hartford where all would be sold. In later years he sold lumber.

He mainly sold his produce to the Pilgard Market in Hartford and later to a place on Albany Avenue in Hartford.

Many times he would drive through the southwestern section of Massachusetts purchasing cattle and then driving them home for resale or slaughter. A grain dealer in Westogue, Conn., bought frequently of C. N. LeGeyt.

Albert Nelson LeGeyt has in his possession an account book which his father, Charles Newton LeGeyt, kept in 1897 and 1898. In this book are recorded sales of small amounts of meat and vegetables to families living along what is now Route 179 in Canton, North Canton, and Barkhamsted, as well as on Case Street and Barbertown Road in Canton, and in Barkhamsted Hollow. Some of the more interesting entries are these:

"June 21, 1897 Sold to: Rodgers
4 lbs. steak . . . $ .48"
"June 22, 1897 Sold to: Henry Strickland
7 lbs. Roast . . . $ .70"
"June 22, 1897 Sold to: E. D. Gillett
3½ lbs. Boiling Meat . . . $ .18"

In some instances Charles N.LeGeyt would get paid by being given eggs, cabbage, apples, shad, and calves.

C. N. LeGeyt served as Barkhamsted's Republican Representative in the State Legislature in 1901, and he was a selectman (Second) in 1910 and 1911.

He became a member of the Connecticut Milk Producers' Association in December of 1918. At that time he had fifteen cows. He remained an active member of the C. M. P. A. until March 2, 1931, when his contract was transferred to his son Clinton S. LeGeyt. C.N. 's herd of cows numbered 25 in 1922, and declined to 12 in 1930. He was elected a director of the C. M. P. A. in the Barkhamsted area at the Annual Meeting in January, 1925, and was a director until January, 1932.

C. N. LeGeyt is listed as one of the incorporators of the Canton Creamery Association, which was begun on May 9, 1918.

As a Mason, he belonged to the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A,F.& A.M. in New Hartford, where he was a 32nd degree Mason.

It was said that at one time C. N. LeGeyt owned contiguous land from the Canton-Barkhamsted line to the Barkhamsted-East Hartland boundry line (with the exception of from 1 to 3 farms) east of the highway now Route 179.

In " Tales of Barkhamsted . . ." compiled in 1939 by pupils of the Pleasant Valley, Barkhamsted School, we read:

"Near the Washington Hill Church . . . C. N. LeGeyt owns Mountain Spring Farm of 100 acres and Mountain Lake Farm of 500 acres, with a lake and many springs, affording good fishing and many cottage and camp sites."

C. N. and Ellen (Slade) LeGeyt moved from the Home Place to a farm of approximately 27 acres in Barkhamsted Hollow in 1923. They lived there until the Metropolitan Water Bureau bought all of Barkhamsted Hollow in Preparation for construction of the present reservoirs there.

The couple moved to Enfield, Connecticut, a few days before Thanksgiving in 1933. There they bought a farm of about 160 acres. Because Mrs. C. N. LeGeyt was ill at that time, Judson Henry LeGeyt and his family accompanied their parents to Enfield so that Lillian LeGeyt (Mrs. Judson) could care for Mrs. C. N. LeGeyt.

On February 22, 1936, the C. N. LeGeyts celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary in Enfield. The LeGeyt Association Scrapbook contains a newspaper clipping and photo concerning the event.

On October 2, 1937, Charles Newton LeGeyt, died at his home in Enfield, Conn. He was later (spring of 1938 or 1939) buried in the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery, which at the time of his death, was in the process of being moved from its original site in Barkhamsted Hollow to its present location.

Clinton Saben LeGeyt and his family had occupied the Home Place after the C. N. LeGeyts moved to Barkhamsted Hollow. After C. N.'s death, his widow Ellen (Slade) LeGeyt, moved back to the Home Place in Barkhamsted.

She passed away there on February 3, 1942. She is buried beside her husband in the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery.

The Home Place was sold in 1952 after an appraisal of the estate was made in 1951. The present LeGeyt Association property is a portion of the land which surrounded the Home Place when the C. N. LeGeyts owned it and it was

deeded to the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt, Inc., by heirs of Charles Newton and Ellen Ida (Slade) LeGeyt in loving memory of their parents.

WILLIAM HAMMOND WARREN LEGEYT[3] (William Edward[2], John[1])

Fitchburg, Massachusetts, is where William Hammond Warren LeGeyt was born on July 5, 1858, first son and child of William Edward and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt.

William attended the public schools in Fitchburg.

On July 20, 1891, he married Mrs. Ellen Jane (Russell) Tourjee in Gardner, Massachsetts. The Clergyman who officiated was Rev. Frank E. Ramsdell. The marriages are listed as the first for the groom and third for the bride. Ellen Jane was born on September 26, 1859, in Townsend, Mass., daughter of Andrew and Mary B. (Eaton) Russell. She attended school in Townsend and was buried there after her death at the Burbank Hospital in Fitchburg on January 6, 1927.

This couple lived most of their lives on a farm in Westminster, Mass. William did lumbering, taking the lot and cutting, sawing and shipping or hauling the wood to the lumber company.

Two children were born to them.

1. Elsie May LeGeyt (1892-1892) She is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Fitchburg, Mass.
2. Eva Lila LeGeyt (February 8, 1898-

After his wife's death, William bought a small farm in Hubbardston, Mass., where he lived for several years. About two years before his death, (c. 1937) he went to South Gardner, Mass.

William died on December 31, 1939, and was buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, in Fitchburg, Mass.

CHARLES EDWIN LEGEYT[3] (William Edward[2] John [1])

Charles Edwin or Edward LeGeyt was born in Fitchburg, Mass., on Dec. 7, 1859, second child and second son of William Edward and Mary Ann (Duffee) LeGeyt.

He was married in Fitchburg on Dec. 23, 1884, to Della Louise Flagg, (Born in Dana, Mass., January 24, 1868; died on Princeton Road, Fitchburg, Mass., March 19, 1935) daughter of Albert and Martha I. (Griffin) Flagg. The Rev. I.R. Wheelock performed the marriage Ceremony. The marriage certificate gives the groom's occupation as Laborer, and the bride's as Housekeeper.

The couple had two daughters;

1. Ruby M. LeGeyt (Sept. 5, 1890-Dec. 24, 1898) She died on Princeton Road, Fitchburg, Mass., and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Fitchburg.

2. Madeline Irene LeGeyt (born in Fitchburg, Mass., ? 1906-
Madeline married in Fitchburg on February 18, 1933, George Elmer Carpenter (born in Hyde Park, Vermont, c. 1903).

Charles E. LeGeyt died on January 2, 1928, in Fitchburg, Mass., both he and his wife are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Fitchburg. Ira Newton LeGeyt has a photo of Charles E. LeGeyt.

JOHN WILLIAM LEGEYT[4] (John Edwin[3], John[2], John[1],)

John William LeGeyt was born on August 25, 1870, in Hartford Conn. He attended the Avon Grammer School and Unionville High School, and the Avon Congregational Church to which his widow belongs.

On January 22, 1897, he married Lena Wheeler Stowe at a parsonage in Worcester, Mass. Lena was born on August 8, 1877, in Avon, Conn., the daughter of Walter Bishop and Abbie Luthera (Wheeler) Stowe. She attended the Avon Grammer School and the Collinsville High School. It is said that Wheeler Road in the Moravia Woods section of Avon is named after one of her ancestors.

John W. LeGeyt was Post Master in Avon, Conn., for two terms during President Woodrow Wilson's administration.

He also was a storekeeper for about 30 years, beginning by operating a general store at Bishops Corners in West Hartford. For a time he operated another general store where Kulpik's Grill now stands in Avon.

Soon after the disastrous explosion at the Fuse Factory in Avon in 1905, the John William LeGeyts went to Pine Meadow near New Hartford, Conn., where John operated a general store during 1906. In about 1907 they returned to Avon, where John W. resumed operation of the general store.

He belonged to the Sons of Veterans, Foresters of America, Knights of Pythias, the Grange, and is said to have been a charter member of the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn.

John William and Lena Wheeler (Stowe) LeGeyt were the parents of two daughters both of whom were born in Avon, Conn.

1. Zora Inez LeGeyt (April 16, 1898-
2. Maida Ruth LeGeyt (December 5, 1902-

Lena was a director on the Board of the Avon Free Public Library for 18 or 20 years. Many years of that time she was Secretary and Treasurer and was a substitute librarian one winter.

John William LeGeyt died on February 28, 1925, and is buried in East Avon Center Cemetery.

FRANK WILLARD LEGEYT[4] (John Edwin[3], John[2], John[1],)

Frank Willard LeGeyt was born on June 6, 1876, in Simsbury, Conn. He Attended public schools in Avon, Conn., and Morse Business College, Hartford Conn.

He learned his trade of butchering from his father. Edwin Stevens LeGeyt, son of Frank Willard LeGeyt, believes his father and grandfather LeGeyt had a butcher shop in part of John William's store in Avon for a time. Frank Willard peddled meat from the farm in Avon, also. Edwin believes, too, that his father had a meat market in Farmington at one time and peddled meat from that.

On April 17, 1906, Frank Willard LeGeyt married Eleanor Maud Stevens (Born at Great Barrington, Mass., August 24, 1875) daughter of William Frank and Eleanor (Hollenbeck) Stevens. The bride was a practical nurse until the time of her marriage. The ceremony took place in Hartford at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor.

The couple lived on Barbour Street in Hartford immediately after their marriage; later moving to South Windsor, Bloomfield, East Glastonbury, and Manchester, Conn., (owning a farm in at least the last three places). On November 20, 1919 they settled on the farm on LeGeyt Road in Sheffield, Mass., which is still in the possession of Frank Willard LeGeyt's heirs.

In Sheffield Frank maintained a purebred Holstein herd of cattle for 35 years. His son, Edwin, still maintains such a purebred herd today.

Frank W. LeGeyt joined the Holstein-Friesian Association of America in 1913, the Dairymen's League in Nov., 1919, the Mass. Farm Bureau in 1920, and the New England Holstein-Friesian Association. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, I. O. O. F, and the Grange, also.

Frank and Maud LeGeyt had one son, Edwin Stevens, born in Bloomfield, Conn., November 8, 1908.

Frank was president of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt from 1938-1941; thus he was the first President of the Association.

He was affiliated with the Congregational Church and passed away on June 2, 1954. He is buried in the Sheffield Center Cemetery, Sheffield, Mass.

HARRY WESLEY LEGEYT[4] (John Edwin[3], John[2], John[1],)

Harry Wesley LeGeyt was born on February 18, 1884, in Avon, Conn. He attended the Avon public schools and a business college in Hartford.

As an occupation he was associated with the Colonial Theater in Hartford, Conn., and was a maintenance man when it opened.

On November 12, 1919, he married Margaret Frances Larkin in Cleveland, Ohio. S he was born in April, 1896; they had no children.

Harry Wesley LeGeyt died on June 20, 1942, in Hartford, Conn., and his wife died June 6, 1940. They are both buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Hartford.

ALVIN ATHERTON LEGEYT[4] (Ira Kelton[3], John[2], John[1],)

One of twins, Alvin Atherton LeGeyt was born on his parents' farm on the corner of Avon Old Farms Road and Waterville Road in Avon, Conn., on December 1, 1902.

On August 14, 1922, he married Marie Douglas (September 28, 1904-July 28, 1940). Marie Douglas LeGeyt is buried in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery in Hartford, Conn.

They had one daughter, Marjorie Ann LeGeyt, born May 6, 1927. On Sept. 25, 1945, Alvin married Hazel Winchell.

The couple reside in Simsbury; Mr. LeGeyt is associated with the Phoenix Express in Hartford, Conn.

IRA KELTON LEGEYT, JR.[4] (Ira Kelton[3], John[2], John[1])

Ira Kelton LeGeyt, Jr. was born on December 1, 1902, in Avon, Conn., a twin to Alvin Atherton LeGeyt.

Recently he married Mrs. Edith Brown, and the couple reside in Belmont, New Hampshire, where Mr. LeGeyt is a trucker.

GEORGE HENRY LEGEYT[4] (James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

The first child of James Porter and Martha Mathilda (George) LeGeyt was born in Granby, Conn, ~~Conn.~~, on July 13, 1874. He attended Sunday School in his Grandmother George's kitchen.

He entered the Old Hartford Public High School on May 12, 1890, at the age of 15 years and 9 months, was an honor student there, and left on December 23, 1892. George Henry LeGeyt worked for the city of Hartford and was an excavating contractor.

The Rev. Newton M. Halt married Bertha Alena Penfield and George Henry LeGeyt in Springfield, Mass., on May 11, 1910; the daughter of Hatsel Beldon and Hulda Whaples Penfield, was born in Kensington, Conn., October 5, 1879.

They had five children.

1. Esther Penfield LeGeyt (February 9, 1913-
2. Bertha Mildred LeGeyt (June 24, 1915-December 23, 1929)
3. Gladys Ruth LeGeyt (December 12, 1918-
4. Doryth Elizabeth LeGeyt (July 12, 1920-
5. George Henry LeGeyt, Jr. (May 18, 1922-

In 1911 the George Henry LeGeyts lived in the house on the corner of Preston and George Streets in Hartford built by James Porter LeGeyt and his sons. George kept his horses in the barn that belonged to that house and is now the G. &. W. Carpet Mart. The house and barn are said to have been built of brick salvaged from the Old Hartford Public High School which had burned.

From 1943-45 George H. LeGeyt was President of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt. He also was a member of the Building Committee.

George Henry LeGeyt owned one of the last pair of horses in Hartford.

He was a paid-up member until the day of his death and one of the oldest members (45-year membership) of the Odd Fellows. Charter Oak Lodge, Hartford, Conn.

George Henry LeGeyt died on February 28, 1956, in Hartford, Conn., and is buried in the Zion Hill Cemetery in that city.

JAMES WILLIAM LEGEYT[4] (James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

James William LeGeyt, second son of James Porter and Martha (George) LeGeyt, was born on September 7, 1876, in the same room and in the same house on New Britain Avenue, Hartford, Conn., in which his father was born.

He was baptized in Saint James Episcopal Church on Washington Street in Hartford, and was educated in Hartford schools (12 grades). He performed no military service.

He married Theresa Marie Gorman, daughter of Margaret Rena and Edward Gorman. Theresa was born in Hartford and was married in St. Peters Church in Hartford. She was educated in Hartford schools and was brought up in the Catholic faith. Her grandfather was Irish and he came to the United States when he was only t wo years old.

James William LeGeyt was in the hack business at the ti me of his marriage; then he went from this trade to mechanical engineering as the engine came into use. Later he was with the fire department in Hartford until his death on November 11, 1926.

He belonged to the Sons of Temperance and the Humane Society.

He is buried in the Zion Hill Cemetery, Hartford, Conn.

James William and Theresa Marie (Gorman) LeGeyt were the parents of five children.

1. Edward James LeGeyt (April 5, 1902-
2. Clinton Augustine LeGeyt (December 7, 1903-
3. Martha Isabelle LeGeyt
4. Theresa Marie LeGeyt (June 11, 1912-
5. Claire Rena LeGeyt (February 23, 1915-

In about 1934, Theresa Marie LeGeyt voyaged to England to find more information concerning the ancient LeGeyt family. She was given a book about the LeGeyts by a Miss. Gladys LeGeyt in London, England.

ARTHUR GARFIELD LEGEYT[4] (James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

Arthur Garfield LeGeyt was born on February 6, 1882, on New Britain Ave., in Hartford, Conn. He went to the Hartford public schools and was a trucker for Hartford Dispatch all his life.

His Parents were living on Preston Street when he first met his wife, Lillian Anita Smith, who was born in Plymouth, Conn., on July 28, 1888, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Curtis Smith. Arthur and Lillian were married on June 1, 1908, at Agawam, Mass., by Pastor Rice of the Congregational Church.

Arthur belonged to the Foresters of America and the Red Men.

He died on January 15, 1937, and is buried in the Zion Hill Cemetery in Hartford, Conn.

Arthur Garfield and Lillian Anita (Smith) LeGeyt were the parents of three children.

1. Merrill Arthur LeGeyt (November 6, 1910-
2. John Richard LeGeyt (December 7, 1912-
3. Evelyn Elizabeth LeGeyt (January 16, 1916-

JOHN EDWARD LEGEYT^4 (James Porter^3, John^2, John^1)

John Edward LeGeyt was born on May 11, 1882, the fourth son of James Porter LeGeyt and Martha (George) LeGeyt.

He belonged to the Masons----there is a Masonic Symbol on his gravestone.

On May 19, 1913, he married Lizzie A. Keiper, who was born in 1896. They had no children.

John Edward LeGeyt died on March 17, 1939, and is buried in the Zion Hill Cemetery in Hartford in the same plot as his parents.

His widow married Gordon Sime and resides in East Hartford.

RAYMOND STANLEY LEGEYT^4 (James Porter^3, John^2, John^1)

The youngest son and child of James Porter and Martha Mathilda (George) LeGeyt was born on March 28, 1892, in Hartford Conn.

He attended the Dwight School in Hartford. From 1915 through 1918 he was a Sergeant in the U. S. Army.

His occupation was that of a fireman----later he was a fireman for the Travelers Insurance Company.

On November 1, 1916, he married Jean Esther Milliken (born in Saltsburg, Pa., August 4, 1891; died in Hartford, Conn., June 4, 1957) at the Central Baptist Church in Hartford, Conn.

This couple had one daughter, Virginia Louise LeGeyt, born on September 16, 1918.

Raymond Stanley LeGeyt died on May 27, 1934. Both he and his wife are buried in Northwood Cemetery in Wilson, Conn. Another report says that Raymond is buried in Soldiers' Field, Wilson.

FREDERICK NEWTON LEGEYT[4] (Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

Frederick Newton LeGeyt was born on New Britain Avenue in Hartford, Conn., on August 19, 1881.

He went to school in Wilson, Conn., and he worked as a foundry foreman.

On October 28, 1903, he married Kate Godfry, who was born in 1880 and died on August 31, 1930.

This couple had two children.

1. William John LeGeyt (July 28, 1904 -
2. Beatrice Kate LeGeyt (October 6, 1908 -

On May 22, 1937, Fred N. LeGeyt married Clara Disel, who was born on January 27, 1893.

Fred N. LeGeyt has lived in Hartford most of his life and is presently retired.

JOHN WILLIAM LEGEYT[4] (Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

Windsor Street, Hartford, Connecticut, was the place of John William LeGeyt's birth on January 29, 1883.

He attended Hartford schools.

In May, 1906, he was married at home in Hartford, Conn., to Annie Bergman, (August 9, 1886 - March 1, 1942) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bergman.

Their three daughters were born in Windsor, Connecticut.
1. Gladys Pauline LeGeyt (July 14, 1907 -
2. Beatrice Merrie LeGeyt (September 28, 1909 -
3. Eleanor Ann LeGeyt (October 16, 1911 -

John William LeGeyt managed a Ben Franklin Store in Windsor Locks for many years. He also managed the Windsor Variety Store in Windsor.

He resided in Windsor from 1906 until July 1956 when he and his second wife, Lillian Elsie Silbereisen (born in New York City on March 3, 1886, daughter of William and Carrie Silbereisen; died in Hyannis, Mass., on July 15, 1957) moved to Hyannis, Massachusetts. John and Lillian were married on October 4, 1944.

John William LeGeyt was President of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt from 1947 to 1949. He also belongs to the Masonic Lodge in Windsor Locks, Conn.

EDWIN JOSEPH LEGEYT[4] (Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

Edwin Joseph LeGeyt was born on August 1, 1889, on Portland Street, Hartford, Conn. He attended school at Wilson Station, Connecticut.

From 1912 to 1915 he was a member of Ambulance Company #1 of the National Guard.

The Reverend George L. Clark united Edwin Joseph LeGeyt and Carrie Emma Bulkely (February 23, 1895-) in marriage on June 14, 1916, at the First Church of Christ in Wethersfield, Conn. The bride was born in Bloomfield, Conn., the daughter of George Henry and Dora (Thompson) Bulkely.

The couple's three children were born at 50 Center Street, Wethersfield, Conn., where the family lived for 33 years until they moved to West Yarmouth, Mass., on January 24, 1948.

These are their children:
1. Ethelwynne Alma LeGeyt (June 9, 1917-January 25, 1925) Buried in Bloomfield, Conn.
2. Warren Bulkely LeGeyt (October 13, 1922-
3. Earl Thompson LeGeyt (November 24, 1926-

Edwin Joseph LeGeyt's trade is that of carpenter and he beongs to the Masons, Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, and is Past Royal Patron of the Cape Cod Court #12 of the Order of Amaranths.

CLARENCE HENRY LEGEYT[4] (Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

On June 8, 1892, Clarence Henry LeGeyt was born in Windsor, Conn. He went to school in Wilson, Conn., and saw no military service.

He and Paulina Hansena Peterson were married on November 27, 1912, at the home of a minister in Hartford, Conn. The bride was born on May 28, 1893, in East Hartford, Conn., daughter of Karsten and Hannah Peterson, who were natives of Denmark.

While the couple lived in Windsor, they belonged to Grace Episcopal Church (c. 1918).

They lived in East Hartland, Conn., from about 1937 until 1942 when they moved to Simsbury. Clarence H. LeGeyt was a carpenter by trade.

Twelve children were born to the Clarence Henry LeGeyts.
1. Frederick William LeGeyt (May 8, 1913-
2. Clarence Henry LeGeyt, Jr. (July 25, 1914-
3. Marie Elizabeth LeGeyt (August 10, 1915-
4. Mildred Frances LeGeyt (October 12, 1916-May 18, 1931)
5. Alma P. LeGeyt (November 13, 1917-
6. Baby LeGeyt (1919-1919) Died at 3 weeks of age
7. Lillian May LeGeyt (March 24, 1922-
8. Henrietta Louise LeGeyt (July 9, 1924-
9. Pauline M. LeGeyt (April 10, 1925-
10. Annabelle LeGeyt (June 9, 1926-
11. Phyllis Ann LeGeyt (March 12, 1928-
12. Doris LeGeyt (February 16, 1934-

Clarence Henry LeGeyt died on May 17, 1947

IRA NEWTON LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The first son of Charles Newton and Ellen Ida (Slade) LeGeyt was born at the Home Place in Barkhamsted, Conn., November 29, 1886. He attended the one-room school on Washington Hill, Barkhamsted, Conn.

For some time prior to his marriage (c. 1907) Ira Newton LeGeyt was in the blacksmithing business with Marshall Case, first in Barkhamsted and then in Collinsville.

On Easter Sunday, April 11, 1909, he married Cora Mae Case, (born March 17, 1891), daughter of Herbert and Emily Case. The Rev. Allen A. Clark performed the ceremony at the bride's parents' home in Barkhamsted.

The couple occupied the Beers Place (presently the home of Judson Henry LeGeyt) on Washington Hill in Barkhamsted for about four years after their marriage. Their first three children
1. Alta May LeGeyt (August 3, 1910-
2. Ellen Emily LeGeyt (December 28, 1911-
3. Eunice Orinda LeGeyt (August 7, 1913-
were born at the Beers Place.

Two or three years before they left the Beers Place on November 7 or 8, 1913, they purchased their present residence in the Northeast corner of Barkhamsted near the East Hartland town line. This farm was owned by C. N. LeGeyt at one time. It is sometimes referred to as the Israel Jones Place because it was on this property that one of the original settlers of Barkhamsted, Israel Jones, built his home.

Their other children are:

4. Newton Judson LeGeyt (May 2, 1915-
5. Henry Austin LeGeyt (November 30, 1916-
6. Dwight Emerson LeGeyt (January 24, 1919-
7. Esther Edna LeGeyt (March 4, 1921-
8. Bertha Olive LeGeyt (April 5, 1923-
9. George Edward LeGeyt (1925-1925)

In about 1921 the family moved to Barkhamsted Hollow because Ira Newton had obtained work there. While they lived in the Hollow for approximately a year, Ira was in the employ of Owen Case. The Ira LeGeyts did not own property in the Hollow.

Ira Newton's main work has been that of farming.

The Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. claims him as a member.

CHARLES HOWARD LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

Charles Howard LeGeyt was born at the Home Place in Barkhamsted, Conn., on October 1, 1889.

He attended Washington Hill School and then Collinsville High for a short time.

He was married in Barkhamsted on April 27, 1912, by Rev. R. F. Gilman to Mae Elizabeth Williams, who was born December 21, 1890 and who died on February 15, 1949.

The couple had four children:

1. Laura Fleming LeGeyt (January 21, 1914-
2. Mary Ellen LeGeyt (November 27, 1922-)
3. Katherine Jean LeGeyt (November 27, 1922-) twins
4. Charles Howard LeGeyt, Jr. (July 21, 1926-

C. H. LeGeyt was a 32nd degree Mason and belonged to the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn. His Masonic Bible was recently presented to the Lodge by his children in his memory. C. H. LeGeyt was also a Shriner and a Knight Templar. After the death of her parents, Laura LeGeyt Merrill gave a memorial gift to the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. LeGeyt.

Mae LeGeyt was Past Matron of the Mayflower Chapter #47 O. E. S. She served as Post Master at the Barkhamsted Post Office for 35 years until her death and was Assistant Town Clerk for 30 years. At the time of her death, lawyers, judges, business men and state officials paid tribute to the keen mind of Mae LeGeyt. With no formal law training her knowledge of Barkhamsted Land Records, Historical Data and business law, was always available to all. Newly graduated lawyers could always count on her help and patience. Her second love was probably helping young hopeful students prepare for Town and District Public Speaking Contests.

The following appeared in "Tales of Barkhamsted. . . "concerning Charles H. and Mae W. LeGeyt.

> "For many decades the general store at Barkhamsted Hollow, of which Charles H. LeGeyt is proprietor, has been the trading place for that region. In addition to carefully selected groceries and general merchandise, Mr. LeGeyt also carries grain and operates a dairy farm of 150 acres. He has been Town Clerk eight years and a member of the Legislature two terms, 1925-7. He is a Republican, while Mrs. LeGeyt is the only Democratic Post Master in the county."

Charles H. LeGeyt was Town Clerk of Barkhamsted for 30 years to the time of his death and was Town Treasurer and Agent of Town Deposit Fund for a number of years.

He operated a general store in Barkhamsted Hollow for many years until he sold his property to the Metropolitan Water Bureau in about 1934. At that time he purchased the farm just south of the Home Place on Washington Hill where Mae continued to operate the Barkhamsted Post Office until her death. After that the Barkhamsted Post Office was discontinued. This farm was known as the Bull Place because a family named Bull had last occupied it before C. N. LeGeyt purchased it. We think C. N. renamed it Mountain Spring Farm. It was the farm at which C. H. LeGeyt's mother had been doing housework for the William Paynes just before her marriage. About the turn of the century the house burned to the ground. Just after the first World War, Theodore Kelton LeGeyt built a one-story, 4-room house there. This is still the core of the house. When C. H. LeGeyt purchased the property from his father, he added the Post Office-Town Clerks Office, and rooms to the south of and above the original four. He also built the garage and cow barn. The other outbuildings did not burn when

the old house did and thus were standing from that time.

During 1927 and 1928 C. H. LeGeyt was Barkhamsted's Republican Representative to the Conn. State Legislature.

From about March 1940 to February 1942, C. H. LeGeyt was the third President of the New Hartford Trust Company, a bank in New Hartford, Conn.

C. H. passed away on October 8,1949. Both his wife and he are buried in the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery.

He was president of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt from 1945 to 1947.

In the booklet " New Hartford-Barkhamsted, Eastern Gateway to the Litchfield Hills" there is a photo of C. H. LeGeyt's first store in Barkhamsted Hollow.

CLINTON SABEN LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

Clinton Saben LeGeyt was born on December 22, 1891, at the Home Place in Barkhamsted, Conn.

He was married on May 14, 1914, to Grace Mae Wood, who was born on February 26, 1894.

Clinton and Grace LeGeyt were the parents of four children.

1. Carrie Evelyn LeGeyt (October 14, 1914-
2. Kenneth Albert LeGeyt (September 15, 1916-
3. Pauline Lillian LeGeyt (November 8, 1918-
4. Vera Grace LeGeyt (October 1, 1924-

Clinton lived on the Home Place in Barkhamsted (Washington Hill) from about 1923 to 1937 and worked the farm until his death. He joined the Connecticut Milk Producers' Association on March 2, 1931.

He was second Selectman of Barkhamsted in 1923. A metal bridge across the East Branch of the Farmington River in Barkhamsted Hollow, which bridge was constructed during C. S. LeGeyt's term as selectman is now partly submerged below the waters of the Barkhamsted Reservoir, bears C. S. LeGeyt's name and title on a metal plate. He served on the Board of Relief in 1935 and was a Forest Fire Warden.

C. S. LeGeyt died on February 4, 1937, and is buried in the East Hartland, Conn., cemetery.

JUDSON HENRY LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

On May 8, 1895, Judson Henry LeGeyt was born at the Home Place on Washington Hill, Barkhamsted, Conn.

The fourth son of Charles Newton and Ellen Ida (Slade) LeGeyt attended the Washington Hill one-room schoolhouse.

On November 27, 1918, in Hartford, Conn., he married Lillian Ethel Airey, who was training to be a registered nurse and who was born in Suffolk County, England, on December 5, 1888.

Their first child, David Gilbert Judson LeGeyt, was born on Sept. 5, 1918, and passed away on January 20, 1920. He is buried in the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery. On September 27, 1922, their daughter Bernice Eleanor LeGeyt, was born.

Judson was Republican Registrar of Voters in Barkhamsted from 1920-1922.

He was a dairy farmer until 1956 when he sold his last few cows and held membership in the Connecticut Milk Producers' Association from 1920-1953.

Near Thanksgiving of 1933, Judson and his family moved into part of C. N. LeGeyt's property in Enfield, Conn. They went there so that Lillian could care for Mrs. C. N. LeGeyt, who was ill at that time. It should be noted here that through-out her married life Lillian was a practical nurse. Friends, relatives and strangers contacted her for nursing service. Tiny babies, children and adults were cared for..many times in her home.

In 1935 or 36 the Judson LeGeyts moved to the Terry Place, (16 acres) which they purchased in Enfield.

After the hurricane of Sept. 1938 blew down the barn on the property of the then late C. N. LeGeyt in Enfield, where Judson kept the dairy herd, Judson moved the 13 surviving cows (out of a herd of 29) to the August Dillinschneider Place on Route 179 in Barkhamsted. This was done because the barn on the Beers Place in Barkhamsted which the Judson LeGeyts had occupied before moving to Enfield, had burned to the ground.

In about June 1940 Judson sold the Terry Place in Enfield to the C. N. LeGeyt Estate and acquired the Beers Place (135 acres) and the Seldon Church Place (150 acres) in Barkhamsted. At that time the Judson LeGeyts moved back to the Beers Place and have occupied it ever since. This place is now called High Ledge Farm because of an extremely high cliff-like rock formation which exists on the farm.

From March 12, 1943-September 1, 1946, Judson was a fireman at Bradley Field in Windsor Locks, Conn.

Mrs. LeGeyt passed away while on vacation in North Gower, Ontario, Canada, on Sept. 5, 1952. She is buried in the Barkhamsted Center cemetery.

Judson is presently a Fire Warden and works at hauling gravel and fill.

He was raised in the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn., and has been a member of the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery Association since 1956, and the Republican Town Committee since 1954. He is also a custodian of the LeGeyt Association property.

In February of 1954 Judson adopted William Harold LeGeyt, who had lived with the Judson LeGeyts since he was about 1 year old.

ALBERT NELSON LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

On August 24, 1898, Albert Nelson LeGeyt was born at the Home Place on Washington Hill, Barkhamsted, Conn.

He went to school at the Washington Hill School, a one-room school house. Albert and his brother Judson both have a photograph showing Albert, Judson, and Theodore LeGeyt among their classmates and teacher in front of the Washington Hill School shortly after the turn of the century.

Albert was married to Gladys Mae Bristol at the Center Congregational Church in Barkhamsted Center by William J. Day, Sr., on October 6, 1921. The bride, who was born in Thomaston, Conn., on February 18, 1903, the daughter of Edward T. and Eva Gilbert Bristol, was in training to become a nurse.

Albert and Gladys had ten children.

1. Gilbert Charles LeGeyt (July 6, 1922-February 16, 1923)
2. Marjorie Gladys LeGeyt (November 21, 1924-
3. Howard Nelson LeGeyt (November 16, 1926-June 21, 1930)
4. Donald Slade LeGeyt (August 31, 1929-
5. Albert Nelson LeGeyt, Jr. (May 3, 1931-July 2, 1949)
6. Joan Ann LeGeyt (April 30, 1935-
7. Eva Gilbert LeGeyt (June 5, 1936-
8. Nancy Jane LeGeyt (July 5, 1939-
9. Edward Bristol LeGeyt (November 21, 1937-July 25, 1942)
10. Barbara Faye LeGeyt (July 25, 1944-

Immediately after their marriage, Albert and Gladys lived upstairs in the Home Place. They later moved to the Vedder Place on Sunrise Ave. above the Barkhamsted Hollow, then to the building which housed C. H. LeGeyt's store in the Hollow after his original store burned, and finally to the Weed Place on the site of which they still live. On December 27, 1936, the house at the Weed Place burned to the ground. They began to build their present house in 1936 and moved into part of it on Thanksgiving Day in 1936.

Mr. LeGeyt has been a dairy farmer most of his life and has belonged to the Connecticut Milk Producers' Association for about 32 years.

Both Albert and Gladys have been transporting Barkhamsted school children from the time of the opening of the Barkhamsted School in Pleasant Valley (about 1938). They started transporting the children in station wagons, later purchasing school buses when the number of pupils gradually increased.

Gladys (Bristol) LeGeyt is Treasurer of the Cherry Brook Grange and is serving her second term as President of the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery Association. Her daughter Nancy is Pomona in the Cherry Brook Grange, while Marjorie is Flora.

Albert N. LeGeyt is a life member of the Union Agricultural Society of Barkhamsted, Colebrook and Hartland, has been Chairman of the Board of Managers of the Barkhamsted Center Cemetery Association for four or five years, and has been Sexton of the same organization for about seven years. Albert is custodian of the LeGeyt Association property and was

Treasurer of the Building Committee.
The Albert LeGeyts reside at Glen Acres, Barkhamsted, Conn.

THEODORE KELTON LEGEYT[4] (Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The youngest son of Charles Newton and Ellen Ida (Slade) LeGeyt was born at the Home Place in Barkhamsted, Conn., on December 29, 1901.

He also attended the Washington Hill one-room schoolhouse and later taught there.

In about 1916 he taught at the Ratlum Schoolhouse; in about 1917 at the Mallory School while he lived in the brick house across the street. Both of these schoolhouses were in Barkhamsted. The Mallory School still stands intact; the Ratlum School is now part of a barn on the property of Judson H. LeGeyt on Washington Hill.

The 1918 term saw Theodore Kelton LeGeyt teaching at the West Simsbury School for $30 a week and living in the old store house.

On October 29, 1922, he married Frances Rebecca Mirick of Simsbury, daughter of Charles and Bertha (Griffin) Mirick and born on August 19, 1904.

They had four children.
1. Dorothy Frances LeGeyt (June 7, 1923-
2. Edith Isabel LeGeyt (November 1, 1924-
3. Theodore Kelton LeGeyt, Jr., (February 8, 1926-
4. William Harold LeGeyt (April 28, 1928-
(Adopted by Judson Henry LeGeyt in 1954)

This couple was divorced in 1932.

On September 12, 1932, T. K. LeGeyt married Sara Stewart Ure born January 19, 1899. They were divorced on June 6, 1946.

As a carpenter, Mr. LeGeyt worked on building the Roscoe Case residence on Route 179 on Washington Hill in Barkhamsted.

In 1951 T. K. LeGeyt married Bessie Mae Weaver (1876-December 2, 1952) and lived in New Hartford, Conn.
Presently Mr. LeGeyt is doing electrical repair and wiring work.

In 1953 he married Linda Bell Armstrong.

EDWIN STEVENS LEGEYT[5] (Frank Willard[4], John Edwin[3], John[2], John[1])

The only son and child of Frank Willard and Eleanor Maud (Stevens) LeGeyt was born on November 8, 1908, in Bloomfield, Conn.

He attended Bloomfield, East Glastonbury, and Manchester, Conn., and Sheffield, Mass., public schools.

Gertrude Evelyn Huggins, who was born in Sheffield, Mass., on Feb. 23, 1912, the daughter of John R. Huggins (April 30, 1876-and Anna Belle

Clark (September 26,1876-January 27, 1948), became the bride of Edwin Stevens LeGeyt at the home of her parents in Ashley Falls Mass., on October 6, 1934, The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Lafayette E. Travis.

They have two children both of whom were born at the Robert C. Geer Memorial Hospital in Canaan, Conn.
1. Richard Huggins LeGeyt (January 18, 1936-
2. Helen Mae LeGeyt (May 12, 1940-

Mrs. LeGeyt graduated in 1933 from the Hartford Hospital Training School for Nurses.

The Edwin LeGeyts belong to the Ashley Falls Methodist Church.

Mr. LeGeyt has always been a dairy farmer in Sheffield, Mass., and belongs to the Mass. Farm Bureau, the Conn. Milk Producers' Association, the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, and the New England Holstein-Friesian Association.

He was President of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt from 1953-55.

GEORGE HENRY LEGEYT, JR .[5] (George Henry[4], James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

The only son of George Henry and Bertha Alena (Penfield) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Connecticut on May 18, 1922. He attended Hartford schools.

In 1939 he enlisted in the U. S. Army, achieving the rank of Sergeant before his discharge in 1945. He saw duty in the Pacific and received the following citations: Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon (3 beach heads), and the Combat Medical Badge.

At the Broadview Community Church in Hartford, Conn., on September 7, 1946, he married Ruth Woodward, who was born in Enfield, Conn., on January23, 1914, daughter of Harry Hamilton and Lillian (Burt) Woodward.

Their daughter, Norma Lillian LeGeyt, was born in Hartford, Conn., on September 22, 1952.

This family belongs to the First Congregational Church in East Windsor, Conn.

EDWARD JAMES LEGEYT[5] (James William[4], James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

The first child of James William and Theresa Marie (Gorman) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., April 5, 1902.

He graduated from St. Peter's School in Hartford.

On September 29, 1937, in St. Justin's Church on Blue Hills Avenue in Hartford, Conn., he was married to Helen C. Lenehan, who was born on 42 Cedar Street in Hartford, the daughter of Jeremiah and Katherine Lenehan.

Their two children were born in Hartford.
1. Elaine Martha LeGeyt (February 9, 1942-
2. Edward James LeGeyt, Jr. (August 29, 1943-

Edward James, Sr. holds the rank of Master Sergeant in the Army Reserve to which he has belonged to 30 years and is presently an instructor in small arms. He has been with the Southern New England Telephone Company in the repair department for 38 years.

Note: Edward James LeGeyt, Sr. suffered a heart attack and passed away in Wilson, Conn., on April 25, 1958. He is buried in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield, Conn.

CLINTON AUGUSTINE LEGEYT[5] (James William[4], James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

The second child and son of James William and Theresa Marie (Gorman) LeGeyt was also born in Hartford, Conn., on December 7, 1903.

St. Peter's School in Hartford claims him as a graduate.

At St. Joseph's Cathedral, Hartford, Conn., on May 1, 1933, he was married to Annette Emma LeDoux, who was born in West Springfield, Mass., on June 13, 1903, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.S. LeDoux.

They have two children.
1. Morece Mary LeGeyt (September 11, 1935-
2. James Arthur LeGeyt (March 15, 1938-

The family has lived in Rocky Hill, Conn., for about 18 years.

C. A. LeGeyt has been with the Southern New England Telephone Company as a PBX installer for about 36 years.

James Arthur LeGeyt graduated from the Wethersfield High School and is attending the University of Connecticut. Morece Mary LeGeyt is majoring in Pharmacy at the University of Connecticut, this being her fourth year of a five-year course.

MERRILL ARTHUR LEGEYT[5] (Arthur Garfield[4], James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

The oldest son and the first child of Arthur Garfield and Lillian Anita (Smith) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., on November 6, 1910.

He Graduated from the East Hartford High School.

He has been associated with the Chance-Vought Aircraft in East Hartford and the Philadephia Naval Aircraft Factory. Presently he is a Division Superintendent at the Naval Air Station at Quonset Point, R.I.

Mary Miller Bell (March 14, 1909-October 30, 1954), daughter of George and Isabel Bell, became his bride in Millerton, New York, on August 19, 1933.

The couple had one daughter, Marilyn Miller LeGeyt, born on Sept. 6, 1934. Merrill Arthur LeGeyt belongs to the Episcopal Church. He is a member of the Sword of Bunker Hill, a special unit of Masons and is a 32nd degree Mason

JOHN RICHARD LEGEYT[5] (Arthur Garfield[4], James Porter[3], John[2], John[1])

John Richard LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., on December 7, 1912.

He graduated from the East Hartford High School.

On August 26, 1939, in New Hampshire, he married Annie Sophie Bezak, who was born on December 5, 1916.

This couple has four children.

1. John Richard LeGeyt, Jr. (March 7, 1942-
2. Susan Eileen LeGeyt (December 6, 1945-
3. Mark Joseph LeGeyt (November 29, 1952-
4. Brian Christopher LeGeyt (September 23, 1954-

John Richard LeGeyt belongs to the Masons and is presently a purchasing agent with Sikorsky Aircraft.

WILLIAM JOHN LEGEYT[5] (Frederick Newton[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

The son of Frederick Newton and Kate (Godfrey) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., on July 28, 1904.

He attended Hartford schools and saw no military service.

William John LeGeyt was married to Elizabeth Moran. They had two children and were later divorced.

1. William John LeGeyt, Jr. (February 10, 1930-
2. Carol Ann LeGeyt (April 1, 1935-

Mr. LeGeyt lives in Hartford and works as a machine grinder.

WARREN BULKELEY LEGEYT[5] (Edwin Joseph[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

The older son of Edwin Joseph and Carrie Emma (Bulkeley) LeGeyt was born on October 13, 1922, at 50 Center Street, Wethersfield, Conn.

He left Wethersfield High School during his senior year to join the U. S. Navy.

On March 16, 1947, he married Charlotte May Adelaide Eldredge, who was born on August 15, 1926.

They have two sons.
1. Gregory Alan LeGeyt (November 7, 1947-
2. Bruce Eldredge LeGeyt (February 8, 1952-

Warren Bulkeley LeGeyt is presently a boat builder on Cape Cod. He belongs to the Russell K. Bourne Post of the American Legion. He was a member of the National Guard in 1938 and the U. S. Navy from 1940-44 as well as the National Guard Reserves from 1948 to 1952.

EARL THOMPSON LEGEYT[5] (Edwin Joseph[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

Earl Thompson LeGeyt was born on November 24, 1926, at 50 Center Street, Wethersfield, Conn. He graduated from Wethersfield High School.

On March 16, 1946, he married Dorothy May Waterman, who was born on May 30, 1926.

They had three children and were later divorced.
1. Earl Thompson LeGeyt, Jr. (November 22, 1947-
2. George Bulkeley LeGeyt (November 27, 1948-
3. Kathaleen Ann LeGeyt (September 8, 1951-

On August 1, 1954, Earl Thompson LeGeyt married Fanella May Marcroft, who was born on July 25, 1922.

Their son, Thomas Edwin LeGeyt, was born on March 6, 1956.

Earl Thompson LeGeyt is an automobile mechanic.

REDERICK WILLIAM LEGEYT[5] (Clarence Henry[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

The first child of Clarence Henry and Paulina (Petersen) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., on May 8, 1913, and was named after his grandfather LeGeyt.

He went to Windsor schools and graduated from a secretarial school in Hartford.

Frederick William learned carpentry from his father.

From 1942 through 1947 he was in the U. S. Army and won the Purple Heart.

LARENCE HENRY LEGEYT, JR.[5] (Clarence Henry[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

The second son and child of Clarence Henry and Paulina (Petersen) LeGeyt was born in Hartford, Conn., on July 25, 1914.

He went to schools in Avon, Simsbury, and Windsor, Conn.

Miss Victoria Virginia Thone, born in Hartford, Conn., on November 10, 1912, and the daughter of Henry and Mary (Singer) Thone, became Clarence Henry LeGeyt, Jr.'s bride in Windsor, Conn., on June 11, 1938.

Their two children were born in Hartford, Conn.

1. Gary Victor LeGeyt (January 23, 1941-
2. Prudence Ann LeGeyt (May 18, 1948-

Mr. LeGeyt has been a meat department manager for 27 years. He and his family have resided in Manchester seven years and belong to St. Mary's Church.

NEWTON JUDSON LEGEYT[5] (Ira Newton[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The first son of Ira Newton and Cora Mae (Case) LeGeyt was born in Barkhamsted, Conn., (at the farm Ira and Cora still reside at) on May 2, 1915.

Newton attended the North Hollow, Washington Hill, and Northeast one-room schoolhouses in Barkhamsted.

On August 24, 1941, he married Dorothy Fricke. Their daughter, Diane Marie LeGeyt, was born on September , 1942.

Newton Judson LeGeyt has been a millwright and owns and operates a bulldozer. Newton is a member of Kehow Tribe No. 39, R edmen.

HENRY AUSTIN LEGEYT[5] (Ira Newton[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The second son of Ira Newton and Cora Mae (Case) LeGeyt was born in Barkhamsted, Conn., on November 30, 1916.

He went to the Washington Hill and Northeast one-room schoolhouses in Barkhamsted and the Simsbury High School in Simsbury.

Nunzia Mary Controlla became his bride on December 28, 1940. Their son, Thomas Henry LeGeyt, was born on August 18, 1941. The couple was divorced in 1949.

Henry Austin LeGeyt was drafted into the U. S. Army in 1941. He served with the Anti-Aircraft Intelligence Service, with the Engineers, and the Coast Artillery. He was attached to the 242nd National Guard Unit at first and was with the 391st Engineers when discharged in 1946, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant and Acting First Sergeant.

In February of 1951 Henry Austin LeGeyt married Muriel Bristol (1923-) daughter of Mortimer and Bristol of Canton, Conn. Their four sons are:

1. Timothy Bristol LeGeyt (August 23, 1951-
2. Daniel Burton LeGeyt (October 3, 1952-
3. Phillip Dennis LeGeyt (March 22, 1954-
4. Walter Bristol LeGeyt (May 30, 1956-

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Henry Austin LeGeyt was installed Master of the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn., in December of 1956. He is custodian of the LeGeyt Association property and has been president of the Association of the Descendants of John and Elizabeth Newton LeGeyt, Inc., since 1955. In May of 1957 Henry A. LeGeyt was elected and installed Thrice Illustrious Master, Lee Council No. 21, Royal Select Masters in Collinsville, Conn. He also is a member of Kehow Tribe No. 39, Redmen.

DWIGHT EMERSON LEGEYT[5] (Ira Newton[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

Dwight Emerson LeGeyt was born on January 24, 1919, in Barkhamsted, Conn., at the farm of his parents. He was a pupil at the local Barkhamsted schools.

In 1942 he married Lydia Christenson (February 2, 1918-

They have seven daughters and were divorced in April of 1957.

1. Linda May LeGeyt (May 25, 1943-
2. Marie Anna LeGeyt (June 23, 1944-
3. Irene Esther LeGeyt (November 21, 1945-
4. Joan Carol LeGeyt (July 28, 1947-
5. Olive Beatrice LeGeyt (August 25, 1948-
6. Karen Margaret LeGeyt (November 30, 1951-
7. Martha Gale LeGeyt (August 1, 1953-

Dwight Emmerson LeGeyt has worked as a farmer most of the time.

CHARLES HOWARD LEGEYT, JR.[5] (Charles Howard[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The only son of Charles Howard and Mae (Williams) LeGeyt was born on July 21, 1926.

He attended the Barkhamsted Center School and Gilbert School in Winsted, Conn. He is married to the former Marjorie Williams from Torrington, Conn. Marjorie Williams LeGeyt is a graduate of the Hartford Hospital Training School for Nurses.

Their two sons are:

1. Charles Howard LeGeyt, III (December 22, 1947-
2. Clayton Michael LeGeyt (February 28, 1950-

Charles Howard LeGeyt enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1943. He was a gunner on the Carrier Wasp. The Wasp was in all invasions from the Marshall Islands to the Phillippines. He was discharged March 13, 1946 and earned 8 Battle Stars and five medals.

KENNETH ALBERT LEGEYT[5] (Clinton Saben[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The only son of Clinton Saben and Grace (Weed) LeGeyt was born on Sept. 15, 1916.

He is married to the former Marjorie Eckart and the couple make their home in Tustin, Cal. They have no children.

DONALD SLADE LEGEYT[5] (Albert Nelson[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

Donald Slade LeGeyt was born in Winsted, Conn., on August 31, 1929.

He attended Barkhamsted schools and served in the U. S. Army.

On November 24, 1955, he married Elizabeth Gage (March 27, 1931-
Mr. LeGeyt works on construction, chiefly as a power shovel operator.

Donald Slade LeGeyt is a Mason and holds membership in the Kehow Tribe No. 39, Redmen.

THEODORE KELTON LEGEYT, JR.[5], (Theodore Kelton[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The first son of Theodore Kelton and Frances Rebecca (Mirick) LeGeyt was born in Simsbury, Conn., on February 8, 1926.

He was a student at the elementary schools in Granby, East Granby, Barkhamsted, and Enfield, and high schools in Winsted (1940-41), Simsbury, and Hartford, Conn.

While he was in high school, he left to begin work for a printer.
In 1943 he enlisted in the U. S. Navy, where he attained the rank of Printer 2nd Class.

In September 1943, during the Invasion of Sicily, Theodore Kelton Le Goyt, Jr., was in the gunnery division of the Troop Transport, "Monticello", which was sunk in the Mediterranean by German planes. This sinking occured near the Straits of Gibralter, and Mr. LeGeyt was one of several survivors who spent 5½ hours in a lifeboat before being rescued. Immediately after the sinking of the "Monticello", Mr. LeGeyt was reassigned to the Pacific Theater aboard the "Vinceennes". He was head printer aboard this ship, which was a new one and on which he remained until the finish of the War.

Aboard the "Vinceennes", Mr. LeGeyt took part in all Invasions from the Marshall Islands to the Phillippines. For his service he earned 13 Battle Stars and 7 Ribbons. He was discharged in 1946.

On December 27, 1946, at the home of Carl H. and Marjorie Case, in Barkhamsted, Conn., Theodore Kelton LeGeyt, Jr., was married by Rev. Cox to Barbara Mae Caine, who was born in Winsted, Conn., on February 11, 1928, the daughter of James and Dorothy (Kilmer) Caine.

The couple have two children.
1. Joyce Frances LeGeyt (July 22, 1947-
2. Theodore Kelton LeGeyt, III (September 12, 1952

Mr. LeGeyt is a member of the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn. He is also a member of Kohow Tribe No. 39, Redmen. He belongs also to the Conn. State Police Auxiliary and is employed as an automobile salesman.

St. John's Episcopal Church in New Hartford, Conn., lists the T. K. LeGeyt, Jr.'s as members.

WILLIAM HAROLD LEGEYT[5] (Theodore Kelton[4], Charles Newton[3], John[2], John[1])

The second son and fourth child of Theodore Kelton and Frances Rebecca (Mirick) LeGeyt was born on West Street, Simsbury, Conn., on April 28, 1928. In February of 1954 William Harold LeGeyt was legally adopted by Judson Henry LeGeyt, with whom the former had lived since he was about a year old.

He attended the King Street School in Enfield, Conn., the South Street School in Thompsonville, Conn., and graduated from the Barkhamsted School in Pleasant Valley. In 1946 he graduated from the Gilbert School in Winsted, Conn.

In 1948 he worked with his dumptruck on the building of Conn. Route 44 between New Hartford and Winsted. He also farmed steadily with Judson.

On December 6, 1950, William Harold LeGeyt was inducted into the U. S. Army, with which he served at Ft. Hood, Texas, and in Germany with the Second Armored Division.

He drove a Howitzer, attained the rank of Corporal, and was separated in October of 1952. He received the Army Occupation Medal and was honorably discharged in 1956.

Mr. LeGeyt is presently employed by Case General Contractors of Barkhamsted.

On February 20, 1954, at the home of Judson Henry LeGeyt on Washington Hill in Barkhamsted, Conn., the Rev. Arthur Berry, Minister of the Washington Hill Methodist Church, married William Harold LeGeyt and Dorothy Joan Wieczorek, who was born on November 5, 1930, in Rocky Hill, Conn., the daughter of Theophil John and Matilda E. (Michon) Wieczorek. The bride was graduated from the Teachers College of Connecticut in 1951 and has taught commercial subjects and English in two Connecticut high schools for the past 6 years. The couple have one son, William Harold LeGeyt, Jr., born May 18, 1958 at the Litchfield County Hospital, Winsted Conn.

In 1955 and 1956 William H. LeGeyt was elected a Constable in Barkhamsted on the Republican ticket.

He is a member of the Civilian Defense Auxiliary of the Conn. State Police and was raised in the Amos Beecher Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M. in New Hartford, Conn. He was installed Junior Steward of that Lodge in Dec. 1956. He is also a member of Kehow Tribe No. 39, Redmen. Both Mr. and Mrs. LeGeyt belong to the Mayflower Chapter #47 of the Order of the Eastern Star in New Hartford.

RICHARD HUGGINS LEGEYT[6] (Edwin Stevens[5], Frank Willard[4], John Edwin[3], John[2], John[1])

The first child of Edwin Stevens and Gertrude (Huggins) LeGeyt was born in Canaan, Conn., on January 18, 1936.

He graduated from the Sheffield (Mass.) High School and is presently employed by his father.

Richard Huggins LeGeyt has been very active in 4-H work winning the following honors: Delegate to State 4-H Congress, 1952
County Dairy Achievement Award, 1952
County Tractor Maintenance Award, 1953
Chosen by Asst. State Leader to show at Eastern States Exposition, 1954
Delegate to North Carolina Exchange, 1954
Massachusetts Delegate to National Dairy Conference, 1956
State Holstein-Friesian 4-H Award, 1957

Mr. LeGeyt is presently a 4-H Dairy Club Leader.

WILLIAM JOHN LEGEYT[6] (William John[5], Frederick Newton[4], Frederick William[3], John[2], John[1])

William John LeGeyt, Jr., was born in Hartford, Conn., on February 10, 1930.

He attended Catholic schools in Hartford until he was about nine years old when he moved to Vermont. Before he was 18 years old, he enlisted in the U. S. Army with parental permission. Stonecutting is his trade at present, and he is living in Vermont.